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| FORM PTO-1390 (Modified) U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE (REV. 7-2005) | | ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 68193-025 |
| TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 | | U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) 10/592002 |
| INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/EP2005/002522 | INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 10 March 2005 (10.03.2005) | PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 12 March 2004 (12.03.2004) |
| TITLE OF INVENTION GAS REGULATING FITTING | | |
| APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US BLANK, Jürgen; HAPPE, Barbara | | |
| Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: | | |
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| 23. Other items or information: Express Mail Certificate, postcard, Form PCT/IB/308, OCT publication WO 2005/088195A1, Small Entity Statement. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing in compliance with 37 CFR 1.821(c) or (e) or computer program listing in an electronic medium) (37 CFR 1.492(j)). The fee is \$250 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (if applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> + \$360.00 | | \$360.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS = | | \$1,360.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Fees above are reduced by 1/2. | | \$680.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| SUBTOTAL = | | \$680.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(i)). | | \$0.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TOTAL NATIONAL FEE = | | \$680.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40 per property + | | \$40.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED = | | \$720.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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